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**ABSTRACT OF INVENTION**

The present invention relates to a method for stabilizing and treating bran, wherein the method includes adding an amount of base to hydrated bran so as to saponify the fatty acids.

The present invention also relates to a treated bran product having a caloric fat value equal to

- 5     untreated bran with the nascent proteins intact, and containing salts of fatty acids.

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